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For: OPTICAL FIBERS OR OTHER WAVEGUIDES HAVING A PLURALITY  
OF TAP STRUCTURES FOR FORMING ILLUMINATION PATTERNS  
AND METHOD OF MAKING THE SAME

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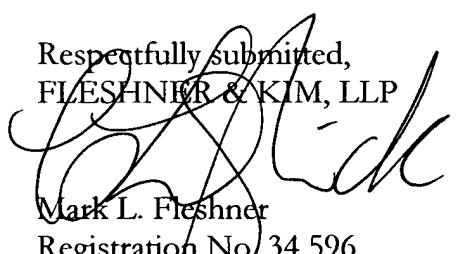
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